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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Paul Baker, Reclamation Biologist *PAB*

RE: Site Inspection, Thomas J. Clark and Company, Daddy Dearest Mine, S/015/046, Emery County, Utah

Date of Inspection: June 7, 2002
Time of Inspection: 10:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
Conditions: Clear, 80's
Participants: Val Payne, Emery County Public Lands Council; Bret Miller; Dean Nyffeler and Tom Rasmussen, BLM; Paul Baker, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection:

Our purpose was to confirm observations made on May 9, 2002, by personnel from the state office of the Bureau of Land Management.

Getting to the site:

Take 300 East in Emery south for about one mile. Follow the paved road as it veers to the left (southeast). A little before this road goes into Miller Canyon, there is a dirt road leading south. Take this road to where it dead ends at the Bret Clark Mine. T. J. Clark's mine is partly a surface mine and partly underground and is to the north of the mines operated by Robert and Bret Clark.

Observations:

Part of this mine is a surface mine (Photo 1) and part is a relatively shallow underground mine with two portals and a shaft (Photos 2, 3, and 4).

There was about a six-foot fence around the shaft, but the shaft was not completely covered. I believe I was able to see the bottom of the shaft, and although it is not terribly deep, it still needs to be fully covered and secured.

Both portals had gates, but it would be possible to gain entry into the one shown on the right side of Photo 2. This needs to be corrected.

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3. The BLM noted that it appears no topsoil was salvaged, but this is because the site was disturbed prior to any requirements for topsoil salvage. If any new areas are disturbed, the operator should salvage soil.
4. Several 55-gallon drums and 5-gallon containers. We did not see these containers on this mine site.

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cc: Thomas J. Clark
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Photographs

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Daddy Dearest Mine (T. J. Clark)



Photo 1. Overview of the surface mining portion of the Daddy Dearest Mine.



Photo 2. Shaft. There is a fence around this area, but the shaft is open.

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Photo 3. Portals.



Photo 4. This is the portal on the right in Photo 3. It would be possible to enter this portal without going through the gate.

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Photo 5. Pad outslope.